PATENT IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE (Case No. 00-713-i12)

In re Application of:)	
Mirkin et al.)	Examiner: Hashemi, Shar S
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Application No.: 09/975,376)	Art Unit: 1637
Filing Date: October 11, 2001)	Confirmation No.: 9821
For: Nanoparticles Having Oligonucleotides)	
Attached Thereto and Uses Therefor)	

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Mail Stop AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Office action dated May 7, 2003. A Notice of Appeal, two Terminal disclaimers, and a Petition for an extension of time (three months) is attached. Please amend this application as shown below.